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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS

ANDREAS WIECK, ET AL

SERIAL NO.

TO BE ASSIGNED

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HEREWITH

FOR

PROTECTIVE MATERIAL WITH PUNCHED SHAPED

PARTS

ART UNIT

: TO BE ASSIGNED

EXAMINER

TO BE ASSIGNED

February 20, 2002

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 12 to 17, and amend claims 1, 2 and 4-11 as follows. A marked-up copy of the amended claims is attached.

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(amended) A protective material with punched shaped parts, obtainable in a
converting process for producing single-sidedly or double-sidedly adhesive punched
shaped parts, wherein a single-sidedly or double-sidedly adhesive tape is placed on
top of the protective material from which punched shaped parts are punched out by a
punching tool, wherein